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REMARKS

Claims 1-21 are pending in the present application as amended. Claims 1-4 and 21 have been allowed. Claims 5-20 have been rejected. No claims have been added or canceled. Independent claims 5 and 13 have been amended to include language that the Examiner has found to be undisclosed in the prior art. Accordingly, such claims 5 and 13 and all claims depending therefrom should now be allowable. Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been added to the application by the Amendment.

Claim 5 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, due to an instance of lack of antecedent basis. Accordingly, Applicants have amended claim 5 to address such instance, and now respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the § 112, second paragraph rejection.

Claims 5-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being directed toward non-statutory subject matter. Accordingly, Applicants have amended claim 5 in the manner suggested by the Examiner to overcome the rejection by reciting a 'computer-readable storage medium', and now respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the § 101 rejection.

Claims 5-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being obvious over Fuh (U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2004/0073870) in view of Belfiore (U.S. Pat. Pub. No. 2002/0059425), and claim 8 also stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being obvious over Fuh in view of Belfiore and further in view of Allen (U.S. Pat. No. 6,151,568). Applicants respectfully traverse the § 103 rejections insofar as they may be applied to claims 5-20 as amended.

Applicants respectfully note that in allowing claims 1-4 and 21, the Examiner has stated at pages 10 and 11 of the Office Action that such claims recite subject matter not disclosed in the prior art including:

including delimitation nodes within said XML schema that define delimiting characteristics of said non-XML data stream, where the delimitation nodes are child nodes in the XML schema, where instances of the content nodes in the XML instance are intended to contain the content portions of the non-XML data stream that are delineated by the delimiting portions of the non-XML data stream,

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generating the instances of the content nodes containing the identified content portions of the non-XML data stream, where instances of content nodes contain respective content portions identified by delimitation nodes of the corresponding content nodes in the XML schema, and

where the delimiting portions matched to the delimitation nodes are not included in the XML instance.

Accordingly, Applicants have amended independent claims 5 and 13 to recite similar subject matter. As a result, Applicants respectfully submit that such claims 5 and 13 and all claims depending therefrom, including claims 6-12 and 14-20, are now allowable. Thus, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the § 103 rejections.

In view of the foregoing Amendment and Remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims of the present application are in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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